December 5, 2001



BOX PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Re:

Application of Anastasios TOUSIMIS, Chris TOUSIMIS, and Yianni TOUSIMIS

A HOLDER FOR USE IN SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

MANUFACTURING AND BIOMEDICAL SAMPLE PROCESSING

Assignee: TOUSIMIS RESEARCH CORPORATION

Our Ref: A8166

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This is a request for a Continuation-in-Part Application of pending prior Application No. 09/658,185 (Confirmation No. Not Yet Known) filed September 8, 2000 of Anastasios TOUSIMIS, Chris TOUSIMIS, and Yianni TOUSIMIS, entitled A HOLDER FOR USE IN SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE MANUFACTURING AND BIOMEDICAL SAMPLE PROCESSING, which claims benefit pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 119(e)(1) of the filing date of Provisional Application No. 60/206,726 filed May 25, 2000.

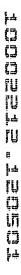
Attached hereto is the Continuation-in-Part Application comprising the specification, including the claims and abstract, 22 sheets of drawings (Figs. 1-16), executed Declaration and Power of Attorney, executed Assignment, form PTO-1595, Information Disclosure Statement, and form PTO-1449.

Applicant claims benefit of small entity status in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.27.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows (Small Entity fees apply):

Total claims	21	-	20	=	1	X	\$9.00	=	\$9.00
Independent claims	9	_	3	=	6	x	\$42.00	=	\$252.00
Base Fee					-				\$370.00

Checks for the statutory filing fee of \$631.00 and Assignment recordation fee of \$40.00 are attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.





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The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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First Named Inventor **Anastasios TOUSIMIS** A HOLDER FOR USE IN SEMICONDUCTOR Title DEVICE MANUFACTURING AND BIO-MEDICAL SAMPLE PROCESSING

Atty Docket Number

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I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.

I hereby request that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

Paul F. Neils

Typed or printed name

This request must be signed in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.33(b) and submitted with the application upon filing.

Applicant may rescind this nonpublication request at any time. If applicant rescinds a request that an application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b), the application will be scheduled for publication at eighteen months from the earliest claimed filing date for which a benefit is claimed.

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